

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

CONDUCTED BY S. D. BALDWIN.

School report next week.

Longfellow's birthday was remembered in our school, and many quotations from his writings recited.

Specimen copies of Good Times, Primary Teacher, and Journal of Education can be seen by applying to the editor of this column. Subscriptions taken at the lowest rates for any or all of them.

The scheme of Senator Logan to use the revenues from whiskey for educational purposes meets with considerable opposition even among the friends of education. Many seem to think the money raised in such manner would accomplish less good than if obtained otherwise.

A Transvaal (South Africa) correspondent of the London Times describes two kinds of thunder-storms that occur in that region, the wet and the dry. The first is harmless, though noisy; the second exceedingly dangerous.

The latest statistics show 41,678,000 school-children in the world, so far as the census-takers were enabled to ascertain. These have about 1,000,000 teachers. First in proportion to population, comes the United States, with 9,373,195 pupils and 291,144 teachers.

A very common mistake among teachers is to imagine that their work consists in simply hearing recitations. Instructions should be given whether lessons are learned or not. The pupil should be urged to do his part viz: prepare his lessons and should be made to feel that the work of acquiring is his.

TEACH THE BOYS ABOUT IT.—At home and at school the boys should be taught the natural effect of alcohol upon the processes of human life. First, they should be taught that it can add nothing whatever to the vital forces nor to the vital tissues.

TEACHING READING.—The first exercise at the last Teachers' meeting was one in percentage by J. A. Sheldon, who read a short paper on the subject. He thought much trouble might be saved by teaching the pupil that the base is an important element and should be carefully noted.

J. B. Coe conducted a reading class. Would divide the time of recitation giving a good share of it to reading but not neglecting analysis of thought and expression.

grammar" was discussed by Messrs. Parsons, Fisk, Sheldon, Harback Baldwin and Miss Cummins. Prevailing impression seemed to be that the bulk of the average pupil's work should be in composition; that technical grammar is useful—in its place.

S. D. Baldwin gave a resume of the proceedings of the State Teachers' Association, after which the query box was opened by Miss Cummins, and several interesting questions brought out and discussed.

The association adjourned to meet again in March at Woodstock.

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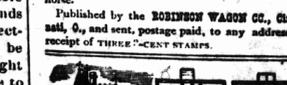


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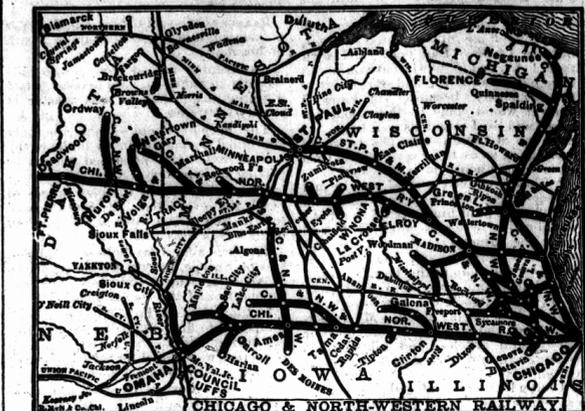
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